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To: FOIA HQ
Subject: Request for Certain Agency Records — Social Cost of Carbon Emails to or from alex.marten.work@gmail.com
Attachments: CEI EPA SCC FOIA Marten Work GMail .pdf

Please see the attached. Do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Best,
Chris Horner'202.262.4458



REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

February 19, 2016

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Records, FOIA and Privacy Branch
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (2822T)
Washington, D.C. 20460
Email: hq.foia@epa.gov

Re: Request for Certain Agency Records — Social Cost of Carbon Emails to or from alex.marten.work@gmail.com

To EPA Freedom of Information Officer,

On behalf of the Competitive Enterprise Institute (CEI), please consider this request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552 *et seq.* CEI is a non-profit public policy institute organized under section 501(c)3 of the tax code and with research, investigative journalism and publication functions, as well as a transparency initiative seeking public records relating to environmental and energy policy and how policymakers use public resources, all of which include broad dissemination of public information obtained under open records and freedom of information laws.

Please provide us, within twenty working days,¹ copies of **all EPA-related emails sent to or from EPA's Alex Marten's account, alex.marten.work@gmail.com, the**

¹ See *Citizens for Responsible Ethics in Washington v. Federal Election Commission*, 711 F.3d 180, 186 (D.C. Cir. 2013), and discussion, *infra*.

“local part” of which is self-explanatory, which emails a) contain, in the To or From, cc: and/or bcc: fields, the Subject field, and/or the email body, any of the terms or parties: “SCC”, “SC” (as such, not as used in e.g., “miscellaneous”, but freestanding), “social cost”, Maureen Cropper, Richard Newell, William Pizer and/or John Weyant², b) which were sent or received during 2015, through the date you process this request.

We request the entire thread in which any email responsive to the above description appears regardless if portions of the thread(s) pre-date 2015.

We have specifically described the records sought in a fashion that will allow EPA to identify and locate them. No confusion should arise as to the records being sought. Requesters ask that all records be provided in electronic form, as the records sought, being emails, exist in searchable electronic form. We agree to pay up to \$150.00 for responsive records in the event EPA denies our fee waiver request detailed, *infra*.

Relevant Background to this Request and the Public Interest

This request arises in the context of EPA’s policy regarding employee use of personal email. EPA has long indicated its policy has required the use of official email accounts and that personal email addresses can only be used by employees for work in extenuating circumstances. EPA policy further indicates that in such circumstances the work email sent to the personal email address must be forwarded to official email

² That is, an email is responsive if it is to, from, copies *or* references any of the parties anywhere. This includes referencing a party, for example Maureen Cropper, in a To, From or cc:/bcc: field if her address (e.g., cropper@econ.umd.edu) appears therein, or the party’s name appears in any form, e.g., “Cropper, Maureen” or “Maureen Cropper”.